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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

In response to a final office action mailed October 10, 2003, Applicants respectfully submit the following amendments and remarks for entry in the above-identified application.

The response is being filed within the fifth month from the mailing date of the office action. Thus, a petition for a two month extension of time is being filed herewith along with the required fee.

In addition, because the office action has been deemed final, Applicants are concurrently filing a notice of appeal.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2.

Remarks being on page 6 of this paper.



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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- ☒ No additional fee is required.

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